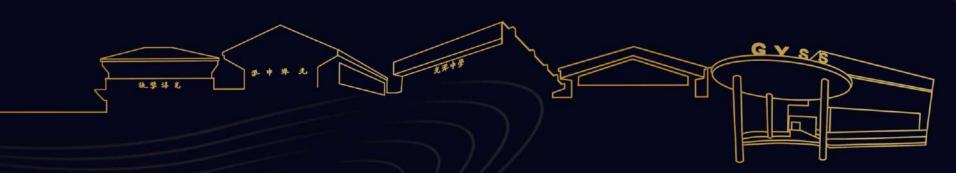


Secondary 4 & 5 Level Talk

24 Feb 2023



Outline

1 Opening address by Principal

2 Support provided in the final lap

By Year Head

3 Sharing on various postsecondary pathways

By Education and Career Guidance Counsellor

4 Dealing with exam stress together

By School Counsellor





Principal's Opening Address

School Vision, Mission and Values

Vision: Learners for Today, Leaders for Tomorrow

Mission: To nurture students to become Leaders, Thinkers and Advocates for Self, Community and Nation

Values: Responsibility, Respect, Integrity, Care, Grit





Support provided in the last lap

- Form Teachers
- Subject teachers
- Student well-being Team
- Year Head
- School Management Committee



The School Leaders



Principal – Mr Alvin Lim



Vice Principal (Admin) – Mr Anbalagan



Vice Principal – Mr James Han



Class	Form Teachers	
4E1	Mrs Lim Poh Geok	
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4E2		
	Mr Justin Tan	



Class	Form Teachers
4E3	
	Ms Eleri Lin
4E4	
	Mr See Yong Xin



Class	Form Teachers	Form Teachers
4N1		
	Ms Shan Qi	Mr Nicholas Ang
4N2		
	Mr Zheng Jie	Ms Chuang Chea Chee



Class	Form Teachers	Form Teachers
4N3	Ms Shakhira	Ms Cheryl Choo
4T1		
	Mdm Ratna	Ms Suvenna Tan



Class	Form Teachers
5N1	Mr Kok Woon Poh
Level Coordinator	Mr Calvin Cheng



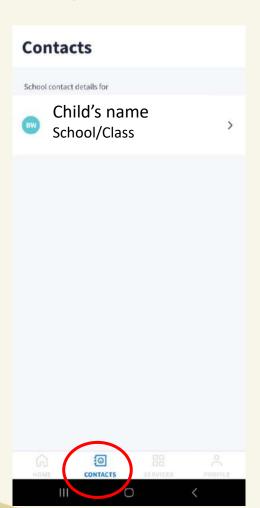
Student Well-being Team

- Top Row (Left to right):
- Mr Colin Tan (ECG Counsellor)
- Mr Gan Chai (Student Welfare Officer)
- Mrs Eugenia Fam (SH Student Well- being)
- Mr Azlan Azri (Subject Head Discipline)
- Mr Chan Chew Keong (HOD Student Mgmt)
- Bottom : (Left to Right):
- Ms Joyce Tang (School Counsellor)
- Mr Jeyaram (Senior SEN Officer)
- Ms Delina Williams (Senior School Counsellor)

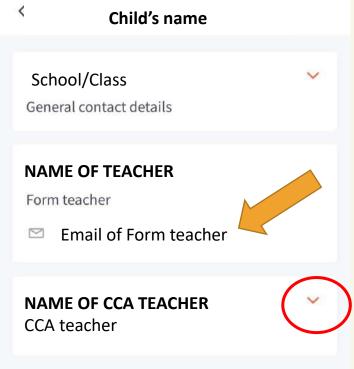




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Support provided

1 Academic Support

2 Assessment & Feedback

3 CCA & Enrichment

4 Professional Advice



Academic Support

- Curriculum
- Structured Supplementary Lesson
- Mother Tongue Intensive Programme (For Sec 4E5N)
- EL Oral Preparatory Lessons (For Sec 4E5N)
- Science Study Camp (For 4E5N)
- June Supplementary Lesson (Last week of June Holidays)



Assessment & Feedback

Term 1: Weighted Assessment (WA) 1 (15%)

Term 2: WA2 (15%) + Timed Practice

Term 3: Preliminary Examinations (70%)

Week 5 to 6 – Sec 4NA & Sec 4NT Week 9 to 10 – Sec 4E & Sec 5N





Singapore

Mid-year exams for all primary and secondary school levels will be removed by 2023: MOE

SINGAPORE: Mid-year examinations for all primary and secondary school levels will be removed by 2023, announced Minister for Education Chan Chun Sing on Monday (Mar 7).

Speaking in Parliament during his ministry's Committee of Supply debate, Mr Chan noted that mid-year examinations for Primary 3 and 5 and Secondary 1 and 3 students have been removed over the last few years.



Assessment & Feedback

- Weighted Assessments
- Preliminary Examinations
- Timed Practice:
 - Term 2 Week 1 to Term 3 week 3 (Schedule coincides with WA)
 - Time management
 - Milestone check on preparation for National examinations
 - No excessive testing



National Examinations Timeline

(Source: https://www.seab.gov.sg)

N Level Examinations

- January: Coursework ongoing during lessons
- July: Oral
- September: Listening Comprehension,
 Practical, Written papers for EL, MTL, SS, etc
- October: the rest of the written papers



National Examinations Timeline

(Source: https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/gce-o-level)

O Level Examinations

- January: Coursework ongoing during lessons
- May: MTL paper
- July: Oral and Listening Comprehension
- October: Science Practical, written papers



CCA & Enrichment

- Holistic Development
- Character Building
- Values inculcation
- Peer support
- De-stress





Student Development Experiences

- Education & Career Guidance (ECG talk in school, Poly visits, DSA/EAE Preparation, Course Advising in Nanyang Polytechnic)
- Subject Weeks
- Signature Walk for graduating cohort
- Enrichment Workshop
- National Education (NE) Quiz



Professional Advice

- Education and Career Guidance
- Well-being and emotional Support







Supporting your child in their educational journey

Mr Colin Tan
Education and Career
Guidance Counsellor

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Guangyang Secondary School



24th February 2023



Post-Secondary Education Institutions (PSEIs)



Pre-University Education

- 18 Junior Colleges: offering a 2-year curriculum, leading to the GCE 'A' Certificate or International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma (offered by Integrated Programme schools)
- 1 Centralised Institute (Millennia Institute): offering a 3-year curriculum, leading to the GCE 'A' Certificate
- Academically rigorous, broad-based education that prepares the student for university education.
- Subjects offered at 3 levels of study Higher 1 (H1), Higher 2 (H2) and Higher 3 (H3)
- Different institutions offer various subject combinations and have their own eligibility guidelines for certain H2 subjects. Check school website for details

Polytechnic Education











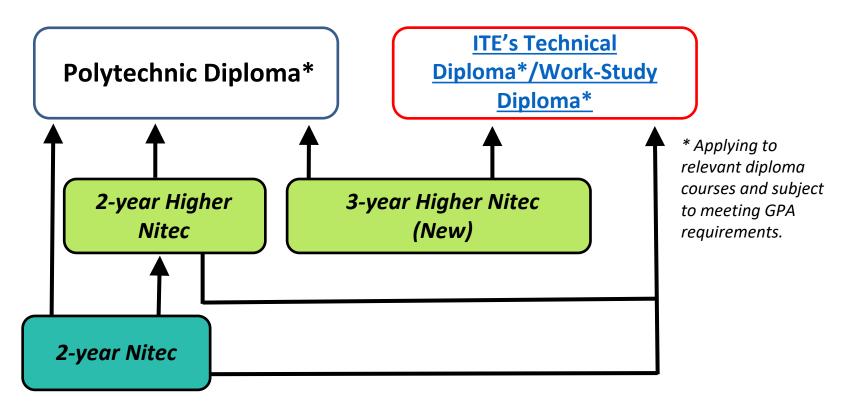
- 5 Polytechnics
- 3-year full-time Diploma programme. Practice-oriented curriculum. Focuses on applied learning with industry attachments
- Almost 200 courses, including common entry programmes (business, engineering, ICT, science, media & design).
- Equips students with skills and competencies that prepares them for the workforce.
- Allows for progression to University.

Institute of Technical Education (ITE)



- 3 ITE Colleges East, Central & West
- 6 schools: Engineering, Design & Media, Electronics & Info-comm Technology, Business & Services, Hospitality, and Applied & Health Sciences
- Equips students with hands-on, industry-relevant skills and knowledge. Prepares them for work.
- Allows for progression to Polytechnic Diploma. Also eligible for Polytechnic Early Admission Exercise
- Allows for progression to ITE Technical Diplomas or ITE Work-Study Diplomas

ITE Progression Pathways



Each Nitec or Higher Nitec course equips students with industry-relevant skills and knowledge.

Also allows for progression to ITE Diploma or Poly Diploma.

Arts Institutions









- Offer diploma and degree courses
- Specialising in design, media, fashion, fine arts, performing arts, arts management and art & music teaching (NAFA)
- Alliance to set up University of the Arts Singapore (1st intake in 2024)

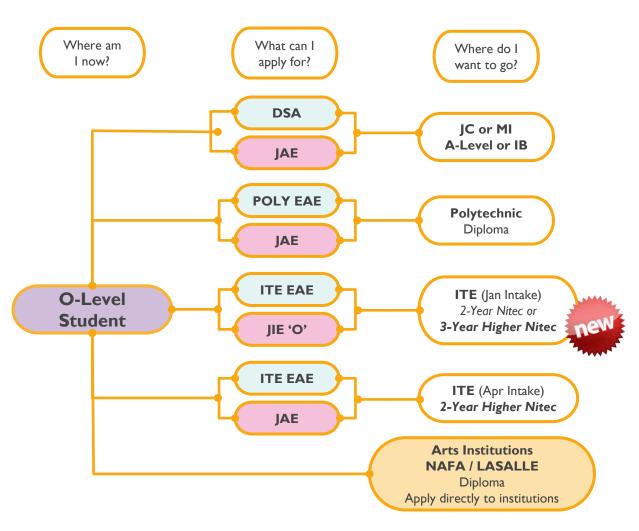
Post-Secondary Education Pathways

Sec 4 Express & Sec 5 N(A)

What's next after GCE 'O' levels?

Aptitude Based Admission

Merit Based Admission



*New: 3-year Higher Nitec wef Jan 2022 (selected courses)

How do I qualify for JC/CI?

Junior College	Centralised Institute
L1R5 ≤ 20	L1R4 ≤ 20
L1 refers to EL/HMT R1 to R3 refer to Humanities, Maths and Science R4 and R5 refer to any best two subjects.	L1 refers to EL/HMT R1 and R2 refer to Humanities, Maths and Science R3 and R4 refer to any best two subjects.
 Subject Requirements English Language (A1 to C6) E <u>or</u> A Mathematics (A1 to D7) Mother Tongue (A1 to D7) <u>or</u> Higher MT (A1 to E8) <u>or</u> MT 'B' Syllabus (Merit or Pass) 	 Subject Requirements English Language (A1 to C6) E <u>or</u> A Mathematics (A1 to D7) Mother Tongue (A1 to D7) <u>or</u> Higher MT (A1 to E8) <u>or</u> MT 'B' Syllabus (Merit or Pass)

JAE: Latest JC L1R5 Net Aggregate Scores

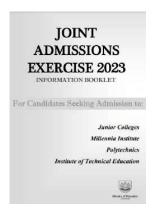




Table D-1: L1R5 Aggregate Scores (with Bonus Points) of Students Admitted to JCs in the Previous Year's (2022) JAE

			Arts		Science/IB	
S/No	JC Name	Course Code	Previous (2022) JAE Net L1R5	Course Code	Previous (2022) JAE Net L1R5	
1	Anderson Serangoon Junior College	39A	11	398	10	
2	Anglo-Chinese Junior College	22A	9	228	8	
3	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)	-	(#)	511	5	
4	Catholic Junior College	23A	13	23S	13	
5	Dunman High School	44A	9	448	8	
6	Eunoia Junior College	38A	8	38S	6	
7	Hwa Chong Institution	24A	5	24S	4	
8	Jurong Pioneer Junior College	40A	16	40S	14	
9	Nanyang Junior College	26A	6	26S	5	
10	National Junior College	27A	8	27S	7	
11	Raffles Institution	28A	5	28S	4	
12	River Valley High School	45A	9	45S	8	
13	St. Andrew's Junior College	30A	11	30S	9	
14	St. Joseph's Institution	-	(#)	521	7	
15	Tampines Meridian Junior College	41A	13	418	13	
16	Temasek Junior College	32A	9	32S	8	
17	Victoria Junior College	33A	8	33S	7	
18	Yishun Innova Junior College	42A	19	42S	19	

Source: JAE 2023 Booklet

Direct School Admission (DSA-JC)



- Allows students secure a place in the JC, based on talents and achievements like sports, performing arts, leadership or specific academic areas
- JCs have different talent categories and selection criteria
- Online Applications apply through individual JC websites starting in May

Update:

Increase in DSA-JC places for Govt and Govt-aided JCs from 10% to **20%** of non-IP JC1 intake (as of DSA intake in 2022)

- Assessed through trials, auditions, portfolio, and/or interviews.
- May be asked to submit exam results, CCA records, portfolio, personal statement and character reference
- Offer is confirmed if student meets L1R5 ≤ 20 and subject requirements of EL, MA and MT. Not required to meeting cut-off point of the course.
- With confirmed offer, students cannot transfer schools nor participate in JAE

How do I qualify for Polytechnic?

1

Net ELR2B2 ≤ 26

*EL= English Language, R2 = Relevant 2 Subjects, B2 = Best 2 Subjects; Net ELR2B2 includes deduction of CCA bonus points

2

Meet subject Minimum Entry Requirements (Course-dependent)

Courses are grouped into 4 categories with different subject MER:



- Humanities
- Media-related



Business & Management



- Sciences, Engineering
- ICT, Built Environment



- Built Environment
- Media & Design

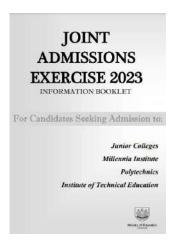
^{*}Please refer to JAE 2023 Booklet for full details of MER

Minimum Entry Requirements for Poly Courses

Aggregate Type	A • Humanities • Media-related	B • Business & Management	C • Sciences, • Engineering • ICT, Built Env	D • Built Env • Media & Design		
EL		English				
First Relevant Subject (R1)	Humanities, Art, Music, etc	Mathematics. A Mathematics	Mathematics. A Mathematics	Mathematics A Mathematics		
Second Relevant Subject (R2)	Mathematics, A Matns, Art, MT, D&T, F&N, POA, Humanities, Music, etc	Art, Humanities, POA, Music, etc	Science, D&T, N&FS, Computing, etc	Science, Art, D&T, N&FS, Computing, etc		
B2	Best 2 subjects					

^{*}Please refer to JAE 2023 Booklet for full details of relevant subjects

Sample Polytechnic MER and ELR2B2 Net Aggregate Scores guide for JAE





Courses	Course Code	Aggregate Type	Net ELR2B2 Range for Previous (2022) JAE	Minimum Entry Requirements	
APPLIED SCIENCES					
Applied Chemistry	C45	ELR2B2-C	5 to 9	Subject Grade a) English Language 1-7	
Biologics & Process Technology	C49	ELR2B2-C	8 to 11	b) Mathematics (Elementary/Additional) 1-6 c) Any one of the following subjects: 1-6	
Chemical & Pharmaceutical Technology	C73	ELR2B2-C	8 to 14	Biology Biotechnology	
Common Science Programme (New Course in JAE) The first semester is common to all students and they will opt for one of the following Diploma courses at the end of semester 1: Applied Chemistry Biologics & Process Technology Chemical & Pharmaceutical Technology Food Science & Nutrition Pharmaceutical Science	C27	ELR2B2-C	320	Chemistry Combined Science Food & Nutrition / Nutrition & Food Science Physics / Engineering Science Science (Physics, Biology) Science (Chemistry, Biology) Science (Physics, Chemistry) / Physical Science	
Food Science & Nutrition	C69	ELR2B2-C	8 to 12		
Pharmaceutical Science	C65	ELR2B2-C	5 to 9		

Poly Early Admission Exercise



Picture source: www.polytechnic.edu.sq

- EAE Online Applications : Opens in June
- Secure a place in a polytechnic course, based on interests and aptitude, before sitting for the 'O' levels.
- Apply up to 3 Poly courses and submit application write-ups for each.

- Students assessed through interviews, aptitude tests and portfolio reviews.
- If successful, students given a conditional offer in 1 course of choice.
- Offer is confirmed if student fulfils
 ELR2B2 ≤ 26 and meets the subject
 minimum entry requirements (MER).
- With confirmed offer, students cannot switch course.
- If the MERs are not met, offer is revoked and student participates in JAE based on O-level results.

For more info, visit https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/poly-eae/

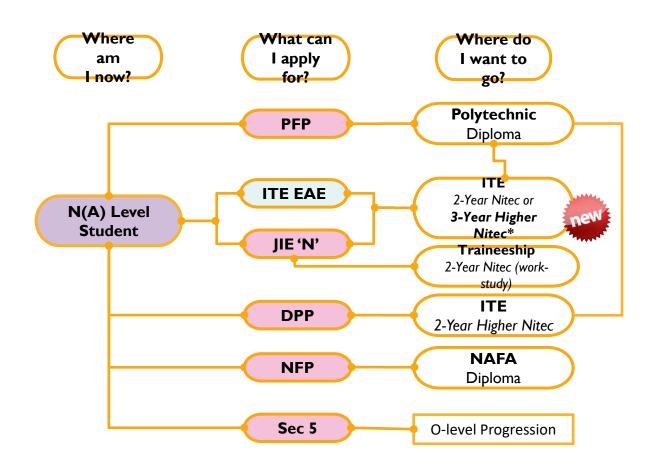
Post-Secondary Education Pathways

Sec 4 N(A)

What's next after GCE 'N' levels?

Aptitude Based Admission

Merit Based Admission



*New: 3-year Higher Nitec wef Jan 2022 (selected courses)

Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

- ✓ 4 years in Poly 1 year of foundation programme followed by 3 years of a diploma course
- ✓ Apply up to 5 polytechnic courses. If successful, only 1 course will be offered.
- ✓ Obtained **ELMAB3** (English, Math, 3 best subjects) raw aggregate of **12 points or less** (excl. CCA bonus points)

NB: PFP courses in Group 1 require a **min EL grade of 3**, while courses in Group 2 require a **min EL grade of 2**



For Courses in Group 1 (Science & Tech Courses)

Subject	Minimum Grade Requirement
EL Syllabus A	3
Math Syllabus A / A Math	3
One of the following relevant subjects: - Design and Technology - Food and Nutrition/Nutrition and Food Science - Science (Chem/Bio) - Science (Chem/Physics) - Science (Physics/Bio)	3
Any other two subjects excluding CCA	4
Total ELMAB3	≤ 12

For Courses in Group 2 (Non Science & Tech)

Subject	Minimum Grade Requirement
EL Syllabus A	2
Math Syllabus A / A Math	3
One of the following relevant subjects: - Art - Geography - History - Literature in English - Combined Humanities - POA	3
Any other two subjects excluding CCA	4
Total ELMAB3	≤ 12

Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

















DPP prepares student for Polytechnic via 2-yr

Higher Nitec in ITE

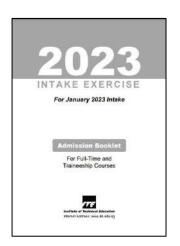
Achieve minimum qualifying Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 or 3

Assured of a place in a mapped Polytechnic course

Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

ELMAB3 (EL, MA and Best 3 Subjects)	≤ 19 (excluding CCA bonus points)		
English Language	(Business & Services or hospitality courses)		
Mathematics	≤ 4		
Best Subject 1	≤ 5		
Best Subject 2	≤ 5		
Best Subject 3	≤ 5		

Posting to DPP – Merit based





Source: JIE-N 2023

booklet

2-Year Higher Nitec Courses	Course Code	College Code	2022 JIE 'H' ELMAB3	Entry Requirements
Duration: 2¼ Years (10 weeks of preparatory training)	course follow	ed by 2 yea	ars Higher Nitec	
APPLIED SCIENCES	SCIENCES			
Chemical Technology (2)	FPCHT	CE-SM	7	
ENGINEERING				
Civil & Structural Engineering Design (2)	FPCSE	CE-SM	10	
Electrical Engineering ①②	FPELE	CE-SM	14	
		CW-CK	14	
Electronics Engineering 12	FPECE	CC-AM CE-SM	13 15	A total of 19 points or less for
		CW-CK	15	English Language, Mathematics
Mechanical Engineering (2)	FPMEC	CC-AM	11	and 3 other subjects (ELMAB3)
Metallical Engineering (a)	1111120	CE-SM	15	in the GCE 'N(A)' examinations
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Mechatronics Engineering (1)(2)	FPMCE	CC-AM	12	score, you must get:
		CW-CK	13	 Grade 1-4 in English
INFO-COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOG	GY			Language
Business Information Systems ②	FPBIS	CE-SM	10	 Grade 1-4 in Mathematics
Cyber & Network Security ②	FPNST	CC-AM	8	 Grade 1-5 in the 3 other
		CE-SM	11	subjects
		CW-CK	10	
Immersive Applications & Game ② (previously known as Games Art & Design)	FPIAG	CC-AM	9	
IT Applications Development ②	FPIAD	CC-AM	9	
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IT Systems & Networks (2)	FPISN	CC-AM	9	
Southern Total National Property and Associated Section 1	(A)	CE-SM	11	
		CW-CK	11	
BUSINESS & SERVICES				A total of 19 points or less for
Accounting ②	FPACC	CC-AM	9	English Language, Mathematics
		CE-SM	11	and 3 other subjects (ELMAB3)
		CW-CK	11	in the GCE 'N(A)' examinations
Event Management ②	FPBSE	CC-AM CE-SM	10 11	For the ELMAB3 aggregate
Financial Services (2)	FPBNS	CC-AM	10	score, you must get: Grade 1-3 in English
Hospitality Operations (2)	FPHPO	CW-CK	11	Grade 1-3 in English Language
International Logistics (2)	FPLIT	CE-SM	11	Grade 1-4 in Mathematics
Leisure & Travel Operations (2)	FPLTO	CW-CK	10	Grade 1-5 in the 3 other
Service Management (2)	FPBSC	CW-CK	11	subjects

Aggregate score of **16 to 19** is **NOT** likely to be placed.

Early Admission Exercise (ITE EAE)





- EAE Application: Opens in May
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- Apply up to 3 Nitec/Higher Nitec courses

- Students assessed through write-ups, interviews, aptitude tests and portfolio reviews.
- Important to participate in CCA and school activities to demonstrate interest and build **portfolio**.
- Conduct and attendance grade also important
- If successful, students given a conditional offer in course of choice.
- Offer is confirmed if student fulfils **minimum entry** requirements (MER).

NAFA Foundation Programme



- ✓ Obtained an ELMAB3 aggregate of 15 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points)
- ✓ Attend interviews, audition or pass admission test, depending on course of study
- ✓ One year of foundation programme, followed by three years of a diploma programme

Progression to Secondary 5

- ✓ Obtained an ELMAB3 aggregate of 19 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points); and
- ✓ Obtained at least a Grade 5 for all subjects used in ELMAB3 computation
- ✓ Take the 'O' Level exams
- ✓ Based on O-Level results, students may apply for Junior Colleges, Centralised Institute, Polytechnics, Higher Nitec courses at ITE or Arts Institutions.
- ✓ Also eligible for Early Admission Exercise (EAE) to Polytechnics and Direct School Admission (DSA) to JCs

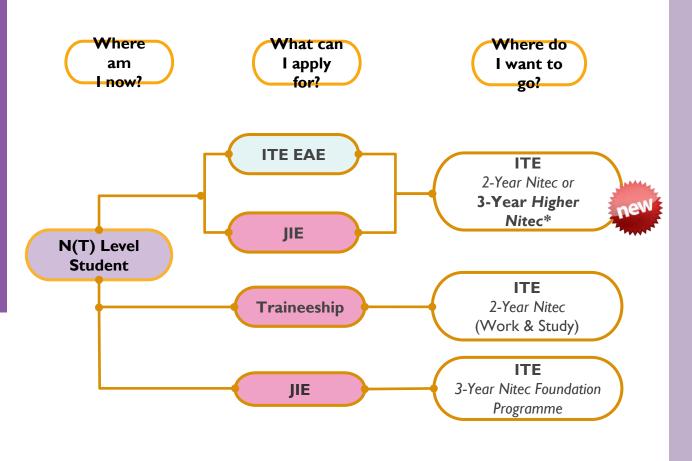
Post-Secondary Education Pathways

Sec 4 N(T)

What's next after GCE 'N' levels?

Aptitude Based Admission

Merit Based Admission



*New: 3-year Higher Nitec wef Jan 2022 (selected courses)

Eligibility Criteria for 2-year Nitec & 3-year Higher Nitec Courses (JIE)

To qualify for the course:

Meet subject **Minimum Entry Requirements** (MER) (different subject MER for different courses)

To be posted to the course:

Meet course cut-off based on **best 4** GCE 'N' Level subjects (including CCA bonus points)

ITE Traineeship

- 2-year work-study courses
- Work full-time and attend classes at ITE one to two times a week
- Graduate with Nitec cert or progress to Higher Nitec



Early Admission Exercise (ITE EAE)





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Supporting Your Child's ECG Journey

Credit : Image from Microsoft 365

What is Education & Career Guidance

- Builds self-awareness of interests, personality, skills and values.
- Develops disposition of resilience, adaptability and lifelong-learning to be able to navigate education and career pathways purposefully.



Who am I?

Discovering purpose

I need to understand myself better. The more I know about myself, the better choices I will make.



Where do I want to go?

Exploring opportunities

Many pathways are worth taking. I need to explore viable education and career options, set goals and make plans.





How can ECG support you?

How do I get there?

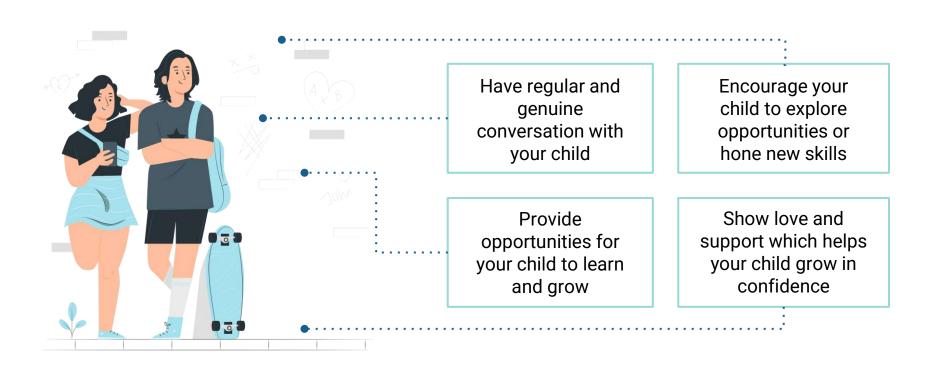
Staying relevant

There are no dead ends.
I can make informed decisions and develop plans to pursue my aspirations through different routes.





Supporting your child's aspirations

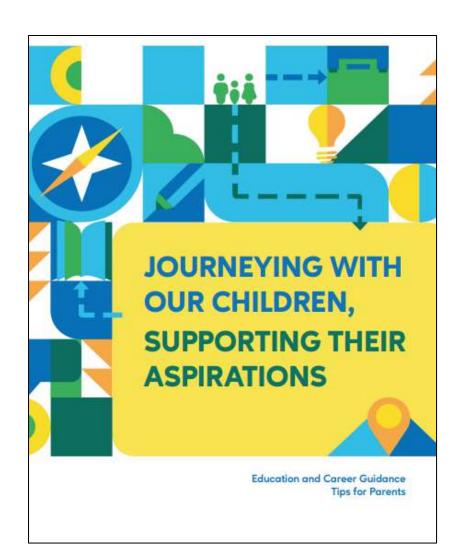


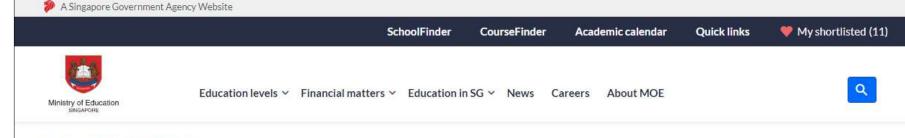
Source: 2021 CEG's Parents Seminar

A parent's guide to education and career guidance



https://go.gov.sg/ecgparentguide





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Admissions exercises and programmes

Explore the different admissions exercises and programmes available to help you gain entry into a junior college, Millennia Institute, polytechnic or ITE.



Learn about the post-secondary educational pathways, admissions exercises and programmes in our Post-Secondary Admissions Exercises booklet.



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https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/

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	Overview of Post-Secondary Education Institutions (PSEIs)	go.gov.sg/overview-pseis	
9	The Next Step Forward (e-book)	go.gov.sg/next-step-forward	
	MySkillsFuture for Secondary School	go.gov.sg/mysfsec	



Website	URL	
MOE Course Finder	go.gov.sg/coursefinder	
What's Next (After 'N' / 'O' / 'A' Level)	go.gov.sg/whats-next	
Schoolbag Website	go.gov.sg/schoolbag	



Website	URL	
Early Admissions Exercise - ITE	go.gov.sg/applyeae	
Early Admissions Exercise – Polytechnics	go.gov.sg/polyeae	
Direct School Admission – Junior Colleges	go.gov.sg/applyjcdsa	





Website	URL	
Direct Entry to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)	go.gov.sg/dpp	
Polytechnic Foundation Programme	go.gov.sg/pfp	
NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP)	www.nafa.edu.sg/courses/foundation	

Thank you

Mr Colin Tan

Education & Career Guidance Counsellor

Monday & Wednesday ● Library

Scan QR code to make an appointment





Dealing with exam stress together

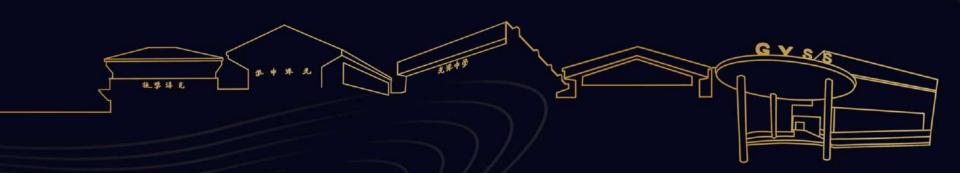
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Dealing with Exam Stress Together

Sharing by School Counsellor



Sharing Agenda

1 What is Exam Stress?

Features of exam stress

3 Strategies

Parents and students jointly managing exam stress

2 Stress & Performance

How exam stress affects performance

4 Available resource

Parenting with MOE (online)



Exam Stress

Affects both the student, and parents too!



Exam Stress - Good or Bad?

Feeling stressed is the body's way of helping you prepare for an upcoming opportunity (challenge).

Exam stress has a healthy purpose:

 When exam stress is managed at a moderate level, students are focused and can achieve their best

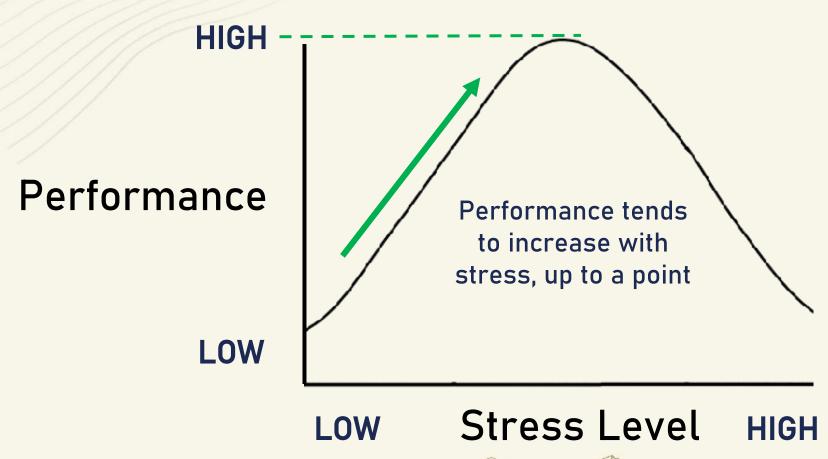




Understanding how Exam Stress affects performance

Stress and Performance

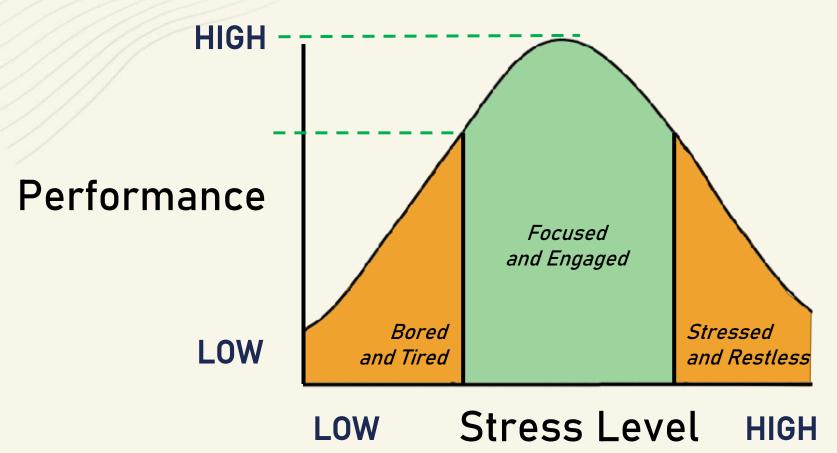
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Exam Stress and Performance

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Managing Exam Stress levels allows optimal performance

- Students will feel worried and stressed about the upcoming exams
- Ultimately, the key in dealing with exam stress is to know and practice helpful stress management strategies

(i.e. to "dial down" when stress levels are high)





Parents together with students can achieve a real difference in managing **Exam Stress**

Strategies

- 1. Increase self-awareness of personal stress levels
- 2,3,4. Proactively keep exam stress at a moderate level



1. Students and parents as "Thermometers"

Why?

- Revising in the state of being stressed out and restless is often inefficient and ineffective
- Going into exams with high stress levels also impacts exam performance



1. Students and parents as "Thermometers"

- Student to have self-awareness of personal stress levels
- Parents as skilled observers: Recognize your child's stress levels and gently share your observations



Recognising signs of Exam Stress

Feeling (Emotions)

- Sense of unease
- Worry, nervousness, apprehension
- Restlessness, high energy, tense and unable to settle down

Physiology (Senses)

- Quickened breathing and heart rate
- Increased sweating
- Dry mouth
- Stomach ache
- Headache or dizzy feeling

Thinking (Thoughts)

- Believing that bad outcomes will surely happen ("confirm fail")
- Thinking about all the things that could go wrong ("later I blank")

Doing (Actions)

- Pacing
- Fidgeting
- Crying
- Repeating certain actions (e.g. checking notes)





2. Work together to plan a balanced revision schedule

- Encourage students to create their own revision schedule and use it
- Stress heightens when the situation feels out of control
- Having a revision plan and knowing available resources gives the student a sense of control and capability



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- Focusing entirely on academics may lead to a neglect in other aspects of life
- Positive emotions come from exercise, hobbies, bonding with loved ones, helping others, etc.
- Positive emotions buffer against exam stress



Quality relationships are important in the face of high stress



Make time to have regular conversations

- Go beyond grades and studies
- Neutral topics: Was there anything fun that happened today; ask about shared interests
- Good timing, location for both parent(s) and student
- Consider check-ins through text



Doing shared activities or interests strengthens quality relationships

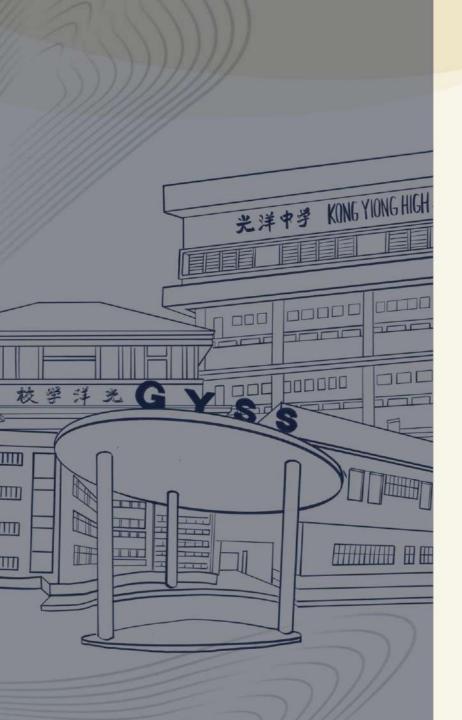
- Choose an activity both enjoy or are open to doing
- You could plan meaningful study breaks with your child



Give meaningful and sincere praise

- Students want praise despite how they respond
- Praise the process
- Focus on the effort
- Catch your child doing good encourage and help them feel some success





4. Sources of support in school

- Parents: Partner with student's Form Teacher(s)
- Students: Reach out to trusted adults in school.
 Year Head, Form Teachers, Subject Teachers, School Counsellors, and more

Available Resource

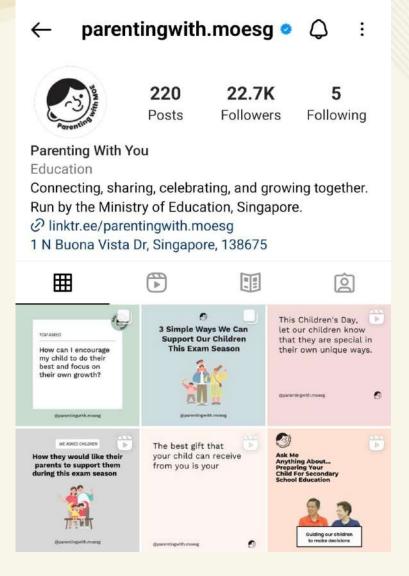


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Question & Answer

We look forward in meeting you on 9 March 2023 during Parent-Teacher Meeting.



